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RESEARCH AND REPORTS

Problem: To Implement NSC 50 with Respect to the Responsibility for Research and Reports.

Discussion:

1. The NSC 50 states that in CIA there has been a confusion between national intelligence and miscellaneous research and reporting, and that while NSCID's on the subject are sound, they have not been effectively carried out (para. 5a). It also states that out of the present ORE there should be created (a) a small Estimates Division which would draw upon and review the specialized intelligence product of the interdepartmental agencies in order to prepare coordinated national intelligence estimates, and (b) a Research and Reports Division to accomplish research in and coordinate production of intelligence in recognized fields of common interest.

Recommendation:

1. That, aside from national intelligence, CIA will produce intelligence reports only in fields of common concern, as prescribed by the DCI on the advice of the IAC.

2. That, on a priority basis, ICAPS prepare for consideration in IAC recommendations on the delineations of fields of common concern.

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